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In re Application of

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DNA ENCODING OVINE ADENOVIRUS (OAV287) AND ITS USE AS A

VIRAL VECTOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

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Prior to examination of the application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title insert 4This application is a Continuation-in-Part of Serial

No. 08/776,274, filed January 24, 1997 as the National Phase of PCT Application No.

PCT/AU95/00453, filed-July 26, 1995 and claiming priority to Australian Application

No. PM7101, filed July 26, 1994.--

Page 8, after line 27 and before "DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION" insert --

Figure 13 is a modified nucleic acid sequence of the OAV287 genome beginning at base

Lof the left hand ITR--.

Page 10, after line 15, insert the following:

--In this specification, the term "substantially" means a sequence which will

hybridize to the specified sequence under conditions of high stringency.